

RESPONSE

Claims 1-7, 10-16, 20-23, 27, 28, 30 and 36-47 are pending in the present application.

The Office Action required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to two groups of claims on the basis that the inventions in each group are distinct.

Applicant elects to proceed with the claims identified in the Office Action as Group I, which are specified as claims 1-7, 14-16, 20-23, 27, 28, 30 and 36-47 in the Office Action. Accordingly, Claims 10-13 of Group II have been withdrawn from the present application.

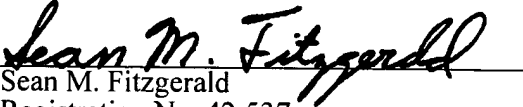
REQUEST FOR INTERVIEW

Following up to a telephone call made by Applicant's counsel to the Examiner on May 17th, 2006, applicant has respectfully requested an interview to discuss the present application. As Counsel agreed during said telephone call, Counsel will be at Examiner's office on Monday June 5th at 11:00 am PST for the interview. Applicant has faxed to the Examiner the proposed agenda for the interview. If Examiner has any questions or comments, Applicant's Counsel may be reached at the number below.

Respectfully submitted,

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